



**WHEREAS**, we hold the highest esteem and reverence for the men and women who answer the call to serve their friends, family and communities; and,

**WHEREAS**, first responders save countless lives every year with their heroic efforts; and,

**WHEREAS**, firefighters not only demonstrate the desire to serve, but have the courage to act calmly and professionally in otherwise terrifying situations; and,

**WHEREAS**, on the evening of December 2, 2012 one of these brave souls, Timothy Jansen of the Santa Fe Fire Protection District, was suddenly taken from us; and,

**WHEREAS**, we will always remember that throughout his 15 year career as a proud member and officer of the Santa Fe Fire Protection District Timothy Jansen courageously volunteered to walk into fires as everyone else ran out; and,

**WHEREAS**, although Timothy Jansen is no longer with us we will not forget the countless lives that were impacted by his public service; and,

**WHEREAS**, Timothy Jansen was not simply a public servant, but dedicated first responder who was known by many for his deep commitment to helping people and saving lives and

**WHEREAS**, we remember Timothy Jansen's dedication to his community and the State of Illinois through his activities with his church, the Bartelso Knights of Columbus and owner of MacJenna's Restaurant; and,

**WHEREAS**, Timothy Jansen was 45, and leaves behind a wife, Brenda and two children: Mackenna, 13 and Jenna, 6. Not only did he serve the citizens of his community and of this great state, but was a hero in his role as a husband and a father; and,

**WHEREAS**, on Thursday, December 6, 2012, a funeral will be held for Timothy Jansen; and,

**THEREFORE**, I, Pat Quinn, Governor of the State of Illinois, do hereby order all persons or entities governed by the Illinois Flag Display Act to fly their flags at half-staff immediately on December 4 2012 until sunset on December 6, 2012 in honor and remembrance of Timothy Jansen whose selfless service and sacrifice is an inspiration.

*In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Illinois to be affixed.*



*Done at the Capitol, in the City of Springfield,*

*this* FOURTH *day of* DECEMBER *, in*

*the Year of Our Lord two thousand and*

*TWELFTH, and of the State of Illinois*

*the one hundred and NINETY-FOURTH*

*Dee Dee White*  
SECRETARY OF STATE

*Pat Quinn*  
GOVERNOR